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1. NO GROUP HAS AS YET CLAIMED CREDIT FOR KIDNAPPING OF BJORK. ID A $\mathbb F$

IN THEIR INVESTIGATION, HAVE COME UP WITH FEW LEADS ALTHOUGH ONE WITNESS GAVE A DESCRIPTION OF, AND SAID HE COULD RECOGNIZE, THREE OF THE ASSAILANTS. ASSAILANTS APPARENTLY TOOK BJORK OFF IN HIS OWN CAR, A FORD CORTINA (VINYL TOP), LICENSE NUMBER 79-362. A WHITE VOLKSWAGEN WAS USED BY ASSAILANTS AS FOLLOW CAR. ONE OF THE ASSAILANTS APPARENTLY DIRECTED TRAFFIC SO AS TO PERMIT ESCAPE OF ASSAILANTS FROM LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SITE OF KIDNAPPING, A BUSY DOWNTOWN SECTION OF SAN SALVADOR.

2. A RADIO REPORT THE LATE MORNING OF AUGUST 16 INDICATED THAT A CORPSE RESEMBLING BJORK'S PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION HAD BEEN FOUND IN TRONCAL DEL NORTE AREA NEAR SAN SALVADOR. FURTHER INVESTIGATION REVEALED THAT

BODY WAS NOT THAT OF BORJK.

3. POLICE HAVE APPARENTLY CONDUCTED SWEEPS OF SUBURB OF MEJICANOS AND OTHER AREAS CLOSE TO SAN SALVADOR WITHOUT RESULTS. PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT BJORK, WHEN KIDNAPPED, WAS SUFFERING FROM A SEVERE BRONCHIAL INFECTION AND WAS TAKING SEVERAL TYPES OF MEDICINE TO CURE IT. THUS, SOME CONCERN HAS BEEN EXPRESSED CONCERNING BJORK'S POSSIBLE STATE OF HEALTH IN HANDS OF KIDNAPPERS, WHO AS FAR AS IS KNOWN, WERE NOT AWARE OF BJORK'S ILLNESS BEFORE KIDNAPPING.

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